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## FAR FROM THE MADDING CROWD.

Americans Should Get Thore Offense—Garden Party Gowns For Such Outings.

In spite of the fog, frequent rain and remarkable uncertainty of climate, out of door amusements are exceedingly popular in England. The English spend a large proportion of their sunny summer days in boating, picnicking, making excursions to points of interest and attending or giving lawn parties. It seems rather odd that Americans, who have in general a far brighter and more dependable climate to count upon, do not take more kindly to open air diversions. They play tennis, to be sure, but that is almost the only out of door recreation in which they indulge as a class.

The French and Germans, whose climate is more like our own, are also open air people and delight to be out of doors even though inanimate nature be represented only by a stunted grapevine or the trolleed vestibule of a restaurant. It is curious that the inhabitants of this young



GARDEN PARTY GOWN.

country, which is yet in its childhood, should have lost the primeval desire for sylvan surroundings which is still felt in all its force by nations hoary with antiquity. The shopgirls of Paris spend their weekly holiday in the suburbs, where they can see green fields and drink their thin wine under a leafy lattice, but American men and women of the same class rush to the most crowded thoroughfares of the city on Sunday to find their recreation and enjoyment. When they enter the public parks, they throng the edges of the drives and swell the crowd in the main paths, ignoring the small green alleys and leafy nooks within their reach. It is not a desire for out of doors that inspires them, but a craving to be a part of the jostling mass of humanity for which there is not room under cover.

It is the same with the wealthier classes. The most crowded mountain and seaside caravansaries are the most attractive to the summer visitor. Except for the daily sea bath or sentimental sunset stroll, the guests spend their days in dawdling about the verandas or billiard rooms and their nights in dancing in overheated halls. They do these things better in France. They associate with pastoral nature there, although they make her wear rouge and high heels. Even the modistes design their prettiest gowns to be worn against the background she spreads for them. A sketch is given of a gown suitable for a lawn party. It is of lettuce green and white china silk draped with white liberty satin. The garniture is of guipure, with violet velvet rosettes.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

## REDINGOTES COMING TO LIFE.

A Pretty One of Pongee That Is Intended For Summer Traveling.

Whenever princess gowns are in vogue the redingote is sure to show indications of coming to life. It insinuated itself inconspicuously among last winter's fashions and is seen again this summer in several forms. It is a never settled question whether stout women look best in plain or draped gowns. The theory of many persons is that close, plain styles diminish the apparent size, while their opponents declare that drapery shrouds and conceals the real bulk of the form, persuading the eye of the observer that the major portion of the figure is composed of surplus cloth. It is a poor rule which will not work both ways. We all know that a very slender woman appears to greatest advantage in frills and furbelows, and therefore it would seem that plain garments would best be-



PONGEE REDINGOTE.

come too plump women. At least it is a recognized fact that breadth of form appears badly in conjunction with horizontal lines; therefore the round waist is to be avoided by stout women, who look their best in costumes the lines of which are long and sweeping. The long coat styles and the redingote should commend themselves to women of average height who weigh over 150 pounds. If the shoulders are square and broad, tight low sleeves should be adopted, but if the shoulders and hips are small in proportion to the waist, as is often the case, wide sleeves and trimming about the shoulders and bust will make the waist appear smaller.

Redingotes are seen mainly among outside garments as yet, and then not plentifully. A sketch is given of one intended for summer traveling which is very pretty. It is made of pongee and is double breasted, the front being ornamented with large buttons. It comes within three inches of the bottom of the gown. The wide, full collar and revers give it character. The gigot sleeves are of satin.

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## FINANCE AND COMMERCE.

New York Stock Market.

NEW YORK, May 2.—Speculation at the Stock Exchange was very irregular in its course to-day. At the opening the Industrials were depressed by sales for the long and short accounts. Sugar fell 1 1/2 to 104. Lead, Chicago Gas and Whiskey also scored losses at this time. The railway list was depressed and fell off anywhere from 1/4 to 1 1/2 per cent. Louisville and Nashville leading. This stock was influenced by the loss in net earnings for March of \$112,115.

Reading then developed marked weakness, the common falling 1 1/2 to 16 1/2, while the junior bonds declined 1/2 to 2 per cent. The formation of a new committee to represent the interest of the general mortgage bondholders and the announcement that the old committee would press their claim even to the extent of demanding the foreclosure or the mortgage accounts for the heaviness of the securities. General Electric and Lead at this time weakened, the former selling down 1 1/2 to 38 1/2 and the latter 3 to 39. The last named was adversely influenced by rumors that the committee stockholders will have to wait for their dividend until the adjournment of Congress, even if they get it then.

In the last half hour of business Sugar loomed into prominence and on large transactions rose rapidly to 106 1/2, a gain of 2 1/2 per cent. as compared with the lowest of the day. This strengthened the general list for a time, but the closing was very irregular. Net changes show gains of 1/4 to 1 1/2 per cent. in some of the active stocks and losses of about 1/4 to 1 per cent. in others. Transactions were 189,000 shares. Railway and miscellaneous bonds were irregular and in the main weak.

Money on call was easy at 1 per cent., last loan at 1 and closing offered at 1 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 3 1/4 @ 4 per cent. Bar silver, 64 1/2. Sterling exchange was firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 487 1/2 @ 487 1/2 for sixty days, and 488 1/2 @ 489 for demand; posted rates, 488 1/2 @ 490. Commercial bills, no bid. Government bonds quiet. State bonds dull. Railroad bonds irregular. Silver at the board was quiet. Norfolk and Western preferred stock closed at 21 1/4.

Produce and Merchandise.

NEW YORK, May 3.—Flour dull, weak; winter wheat, low grades, 2.00 @ 2.45; patents, 3.15 @ 3.45; Minnesota clear, 2.50 @ 2.90; patents, 3.90 @ 4.20; low extra, 2.05 @ 2.45; Southern flour dull, weak; common to fair, extra, 2.00 @ 3.00; good to choice do, 2.10 @ 4.20. Wheat dull, 1/2 lower, closing weak; No. 2 red, a score and elevator 60 1/2; afloat 61 1/2; options fairly active and 1/2 @ 1/2 lower; closing weak, with prices at 1/2 @ 1/2 below previous low record. No. 2 red, closed May, 60 1/2; June, 61 1/2; July, 62 1/2. Corn dull, firm; No. 2, 43 1/2 elevator, 44 1/2 afloat; options dull and without special feature, with the close steady, unchanged, to 1/2 c. up; May, 43 1/2; July, 42 1/2. Oats dull, options easier; May, 38 1/2 @ 38 1/2; July, 36 1/2; No. 2 41; No. 2 white, 41 1/2; mixed Western, 41 @ 42; white do, 42 @ 45 1/2. Hay, fair demand, steady; shipping, 60 @ 65; good to choice, 80 @ 90. Wool firm, fair demand; domestic fleece, 20 @ 26; pulled, 16 @ 25. Beef, steady, quiet; family, 12 @ 14; extra mess, 8 @ 8.50; beef hams firm at 18.00; tierced beef inactive, firm; city extra India mess, 19 @ 21. Cut meats quiet, steady.

Pork steady; fancy active, mess, 13.75 @ 14.00; extra prime, 13.50. Butter dull, lower; State dairy, new, 12 @ 17; State dairy, old, 10 @ 14; do creamery, new, 15 @ 17; Western dairy, new, 10 @ 13; Western creamery, new, 13 @ 17; Elgin, 17. Cotton-seed oil quiet, easy; crude, 30, nominal; yellow, 33 @ 33 1/2. Petroleum quiet, steady. Rosin quiet, firm; strained, common to good, 117 1/2 @ 120. Turpentine dull, easy, at 29 1/2 @ 29 1/2. Rice dull, steady; domestic, fair to extra, 3 1/2 @ 5 1/2; Japan, 4 1/2 @ 4 1/2. Molasses, foreign nominal; New Orleans, open kettle, good to choice, 30 @ 38, light demand, steady.

Peanuts quiet. Coffee options easy, unchanged, 15 points down; May, 15.30 @ 15.40; July, 15.25; September, 14.70 @ 14.75; spot Rio dull, nominal; No. 7, 16 1/2. Sugar, raw active, firmer; fair refining 2 1/2; refined active and firm; off A, 4 1/2 @ 4 1/2; standard A, 3 15-16 @ 1 1/2; cut loaf, 4 11-16 @ 4 1/2; crushed, 4 11-16 @ 3 1/2; granulated, 3 15-16 @ 4 1/2. Freights Liverpool dull, easier; cotton, 7-64 pence; grain 1 1/2 pence.

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